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## Johnson and Johnson pulls 12 million Motrin bottles from shelves

TRENTON, New Jersey -- Johnson & Johnson, the consumer products company which has been plagued by product recalls in the past two years, said it is voluntarily asking retailers to remove about 12 million bottles of Motrin pain relievers from store shelves.

The coated caplets may not dissolve as quickly as intended when they near their expiration dates, the company found when testing product samples, according to a statement.

"There is no safety concern if consumers continue taking the product in accordance with its label; however,



it is possible there may be a delay in experiencing relief," the statement said.

Bonnie Jacobs, a J&J spokeswoman, said the company is not asking consumers to return the caplets. The bottles were distributed in the United States, Puerto Rico, the Bahamas, Fiji, Belize, St. Lucia and Jamaica.

## Jurgen Benschop named new Director of Operations at Reina Beatrix International Airport

In a special press conference called by the Minister of Tourism, Transport & Labor, Otmar Oduber, and the Aruba Tourism Authority, AAA, it was announced that Jurgen Benschop will take over the position of Director of Operations for Reina Beatrix International Airport from Mario Bikker, who is retiring as of December 31.

Jurgen Benschop comes to the position after more than 13 years with the AAA, beginning his career as an operations officer, and working his way up the ranks to Business Unit Manager Airside, allowing him to become thoroughly acquainted with every aspect of operations at the airport. He expressed that aviation is his passion, and he began flying when was only 3 and his father would take him up in a plane with him. Jurgen obtained his own pilot's license at the age of 19, and has qualified for multi-engine aircraft.

Minister Oduber explained the airport went through a lengthy analysis of possible candidates, consulting with Schiphol in Holland regarding the qualifications and competence of various individuals and after much deliberation, very happy with their choice.

AAA CEO Peter Steinmetz and Marion Kan, Presi-

dent of the Supervisory Board, where both present to express their extreme satisfaction with Jurgen's record and attitude leading to this appointment. Jurgen came to international attention this past March by being elected Chairman of the Safety Commission of the Air-



**Jurgen Benschop newly appointed AAA Director of Operations**



**Congratulations from Peter Steinmetz**

ports Council International-Latin America/Caribbean Region, a division of the international or-

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## Holiday photography tips



### Getting in close for portrait shots

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The problem with never going beyond auto is that despite such features as face and smile detect, in low-light conditions that are usually the case with holiday photos, their meters will read the brightest spots in the picture and adjust accordingly, which will often

leave your subjects in the dark, literally. Night scenes of Christmas lights require customized settings to capture properly, and ideally, a tripod, as for the best shots, shutter speeds need to be set very slow and it is nearly impossible to take a hand held shot that won't blur the lights. If you didn't happen to pack your tripod, place the camera on a steady surface and frame your shot; or purchase a bag of flour or rice and rest your camera on this impromptu tripod; you also have the advantage of it being malleable and can shape it to fit your camera's configuration. There are very inexpensive (\$2-\$3) table top tripods that pack and travel easily and are perfect to use with small Point & Shoot cameras.

A favorite subject for holiday picture taking on Aruba is the city of lights at Seroe Preto;

this is a situation where a tripod is most definitely in order. We paid a visit the other night, two cameras and a tripod in hand, experimenting and comparing results between the two cameras.

The layman would consider the equipment used "professional." We are working with an Olympus E 620 DSLR and a Sony NEX 5, the latter is what is called a "mirrorless" camera, it has the basic set up of a fixed lens Point and Shoot, (the cute little camera you keep in your pocket) but comes with interchangeable lenses allowing great flexibility and guaranteeing a better quality image.

A word about optical zooms-which is what fixed lens cameras use as opposed to a telephoto lens. If taking beautiful pictures is beginning to become important to you, an optical zoom will never give you the clarity and quality of a camera with changeable lenses, no matter the number of megapixels. Optical zooms work by enlarging the pixels, those little dots that comprise your photo and monitor read-out; this process most definitely degrades the quality of the image.

For Seroe Preto, we mounted our Olympus on a tripod and worked in manual mode, which allows precise control over all aspects of recording the image. Point and Shoot cameras often have a "twilight" or "fireworks" or "night" setting under the "Scenes" category in your Mode selector. The Sony sports a "Hand Held Twilight" which we found interesting in a pinch, but no comparison to working with a tripod and customized settings, at least in this situation. Point and Shoot cameras also have manual modes, so you can achieve similar results as an impressive DSLR.

For those who have this sort of equipment, we do suggest using live view (if you have it) to frame your shot and have a preview of the final result. Deploy a delayed shutter release

to further reduce the possibility of blurring from pressing down the shutter button; Point & Shoot cameras offer this option as well.

Almost all Point & Shoot cameras offer a shooting mode called "Night Portrait," and this is most definitely the time of

year to put this to use. On a DSLR the "First Curtain" flash option produces much the same effect, a delayed flash that allows the sensor to record the background lighting before putting a soft flash on your subject.

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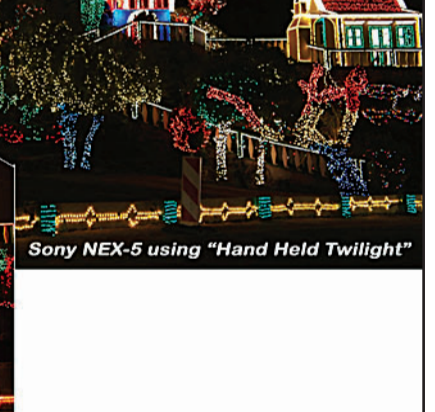
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Be aware, as the flash is reduced, you cannot be too far away from your subjects, or they will not be sufficiently lit. You can spend tons of time on the computer afterwards editing and correcting your shots, but this is a tedious chore and unless you are really expert at it, you will be much happier if you get it right at the time you take the picture. It doesn't hurt to get close in to your living subject, as this is what you want your photo to be about, and the holiday lights are to provide ambience. Particularly when taking pictures of children, get in close to better reveal their expressions and set the mood.

People often ask me, as a professional photographer, what advice I can give them. My first response is "read your user's

manual thoroughly and take the camera through the various modes and learn how to use them." My other advice is to actually learn some basic rules of light and photography, whether film or digital, they still hold true. Also, if you seriously care about taking great pictures, join an online photography forum or website; it usually costs nothing and you will learn from the pros how to get the most out of this amazing piece of equipment you have acquired. You will likely find one dedicated to your particular camera, probably from the manufacturer or an enthusiast; don't ignore it. Remember, "cameras do not take pictures, people take pictures," and a little study and knowledge can go a long way to being sure you get the photos you will be

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Mrs. Ryan is in the company of her Daughter Jennifer who has also been honored as a Goodwill Ambassador of Aruba.

Aruba Tourism Authority associate Ernest Giel presented the honorees with a beautiful plaque thanking them for their love and loyalty to our island.

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Peter Steinmetz, Marion Kan, Minister Otmar Oduber and Jurgen Benschop

Jurgen expressed he is very gratified by their confidence, and described aviation as his "first love."

Being well acquainted with the Reina Beatrix International Airport and its personnel, even at what is considered a young age for such a position, he will bring a great deal of experience and energy to it. "I am ready to do the job," he said in closing.

By Rosalie Klein



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## Holland is no longer interested in colonization

Two aspects discussed in the recently held Kingdom Conference was the protocol regarding the Rules for the Kingdom Conference and the matter of the policy of External Relations.

During Monday's government press conference here, Minister Benny Sievinger, who was one of the Ministers that attended the Kingdom Conference, gave an explanation of the various matters discussed.

The focus was on the fact that they are working on having a Kingdom that is dedicated to serving its citizens. One of the first matters discussed, according to Sievinger, was the Rules of Order which must be implemented for all Kingdom Conferences, so as to avoid having to draw up rules every year.

The second item on the agenda was the policy regarding the External Relations of the Kingdom. This is a policy that normally fell under the Dutch Minister of External Affairs.

They never took into account the interest of the islands, and policies were stipulated without any adequate participation of the other partners in the Dutch Kingdom. This matter was discussed and the following three conclusions drawn: 1. every country will be represented whenever a policy regarding External Relations is to be enacted; 2. they will recognize the rights of the external relations of each country and their right to implement their policy without this becoming a matter of conflict for the policy of the Kingdom. According to Sievinger, this conclusion gives each country more autonomy which contradicts what is being purported by certain politicians; 3. the vision of the Dutch Kingdom.

The Netherlands participated at this Kingdom Conference with two delegations. One delegation was to represent the BES Islands (Bonaire, Sint Eustatius and Saba).

According to Minister Sievinger, Aruba was one of the first speakers at the Conference and focused on the vision of Aruba within the Dutch Kingdom. This vision, in essence, is the manner in which Aruba envisions how we must work together. Aruba is convinced that the ties must be strong between all the partners so that all parties can profit from the different areas. It should be a "win-win situation" for every partner. Aruba,

he said is working diligently on such a situation, which will be a gateway for Holland with ties to the Latin American market.

Curacao, on the other hand, shared that they want to primarily discuss the issues that remained after the dissolving of the Antilles; the consensus of Dutch National Laws, etc. This is where Dutch Minister Donnor requested a point of order. This was because he wanted to know if the intention was to continue discussing the point of the Kingdom, or to stop the Conference. In the opinion of the Dutch official, he is of the opinion that if the delegates continue to "trash out" with all sorts of disputes that in the final analysis the Kingdom as we know it will disintegrate.

2. Curacao has to decide whether they want independence, hence, a relation outside of the Dutch Kingdom; 3. to find added value within the Dutch Kingdom and to work towards the advancement of the Kingdom.

According to Minister Sievinger, this first Kingdom Conference was successful in the sense that all partners came together to work for the Kingdom. Sievinger also reported that just prior to the scheduled Conference meetings, the Dutch newspaper, the Telegraaf did a survey among Dutch citizens, and 85% of them responded in favor of the islands becoming independent. This means that Holland is definitely not interested in again colonizing these islands and in withdrawing their autonomy.



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## International News

# Mexicans flood home for Christmas, wary of crime

NUEVO LAREDO (AFP) - Hundreds of thousands of Mexicans and Central Americans have been clogging crossings at the US-Mexico border, braving bandits and corrupt authorities in a perilous migration south to be home for Christmas.

This year, travelers are taking greater precautions to avoid being robbed or kidnapped as they head through areas where violent drug gangs have been active, and migrants have been massacred.

A caravan of 74 vehicles with some 300 migrants aboard made it through the busy border crossing at Nuevo Laredo on Monday, heading to central Mexico.

Alonso Laverde, a Mexican heading to the state of Queretaro with his wife and two children for the holidays, decided to join the caravan for protection.

"We have gifts for the nephews and nieces, clothing, and other things for grandmother and the other relatives who stayed behind," he said as he adjusted a giant TV set on

the roof of late-model Ford SUV with Texas license plates.

The 970 kilometer (600 mile) route to Laverde's home heads through several northern Mexican states where drug violence is endemic.

According to the Mexican government, about three million people a year cross the US-Mexico border in the days before the holidays, making their way south in 800,000 vehicles.

Mexico's federal police have deployed 12,000 officers, backed by eight helicopters, to the border between December 16 and January 8 to protect the travelers.

"The main advice for everyone is to travel during the day," said Rafael Lomeli, the senior public security official in the northern state of Tamaulipas.

A study by the Mexico's chamber of deputies said Mexicans living in the United States bring home some \$3 billion in gifts and cash during the holidays.

The study also calculated that \$1.2 million are paid each year in bribes to police officers and customs agents, highlight-

ing another obstacle facing holiday travelers.

At Nuevo Laredo's busy bus station, a group of Central Americans coming from the United States try to buy tickets to travel to the southern border with Guatemala.

"They say there are no more tickets," cried Julio Rios, who was going home for the first time in three years with his savings from scrubbing toilets and cleaning the pool at a Texas hotel.

Despite the danger, he prefers to travel by land: the cost is \$300, he said, half the price of the \$600 air fare.



**PRAGUE, Czech Republic :** The flag draped coffin of former Czech president Vaclav Havel is displayed in the Vladislav Hall at Castle in Prague, on December 22, 2011. Havel, a dissident and playwright who was the hero of the 1989 Velvet Revolution against communist rule and became his country's first post-independence president, died on December 18, 2011 aged 75. World leaders will join Czech dignitaries to pay homage to Havel at his state funeral in an historic Prague cathedral on December 23, 2011. **AFP PHOTO**

## US ready to work with new regime as N. Korea mourns

WASHINGTON (AFP) - North Korea Thursday burnished the image of its past and present leaders amid wintry scenes of mass grief, as Washington said it wants to work with the new regime when the mourning period ends next week.

Official media has reported mass mourning, said to involve five million people in Pyongyang alone, since Kim's death was announced on Monday and his youngest son Jong-Un was proclaimed as successor.

Even nature is heartbroken, according to the news agency, which in its characteristic style reported freak weather phenomena at his mystical birthplace and a Manchurian crane adopting a posture of grief.

Kim Jong-Il and his father Kim Il-Sung, who ruled the communist nation with an iron fist from its creation in 1948, were the subject of an extravagant personality cult.

The latest dynastic ruler, aged in his late 20s, is also

being showered with praise but remains a figure of mystery to the outside world, which is seeking clues to future policy in the nuclear-armed nation.

He was pictured Wednesday weeping at his father's coffin.

Mangyongdae is held sacred as the birthplace of Kim Il-Sung. The phrase "great sun" was previously reserved for Jong-Un's father and grandfather. Ruling party paper Rodong Sinmun called for unity around "great comrade" Jong-Un.

It said the North would try to strengthen friendships with other nations while bolstering its military power.

Analysts expect little political upheaval following the death -- at least for now -- since regime members have an interest in preserving the status quo.

The United States, which fought on the South's side in the 1950-53 Korean War, said it wants to work with the new regime when a 13-day mourn-

ing period ends next Thursday.

US and North Korean officials held talks last week in Beijing about the practicalities of food aid. Pyongyang has been pressing for months for help to address what foreign aid groups say is severe hunger.

The State Department had been expected to make decisions starting Monday. But instead its meetings were dominated by the bombshell news of Kim's death and his replacement by his untested son.

South Korea put its military on alert Monday but the Pentagon said Wednesday that no unusual North Korean military movements had been observed across the tense border.

Seoul has struck a conciliatory note after more than a year of high tensions along the world's last Cold War frontier. It sent a message of sympathy to the North's people and said it would let private groups send condolence messages.



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## British women sue over French breast implants

LONDON (AFP) - More than 250 British women are taking court action after more than half experienced ruptures in breast implants made by a French company at the centre of a cancer scare, a lawyer announced.

The women are among up to 50,000 in Britain who have had implants that were manufactured by the now-bankrupt Poly Implant Prothese (PIP).

Health officials in France have said the government plans to recommend to 30,000 French women with PIP implants that they have them removed, after eight cases of cancer, mainly breast cancer, were reported.

A lawyer representing more

than 250 women in Britain said legal proceedings would start next year, with the complainants making claims against the clinics which carried out the operations to insert the implants.

Documents obtained by AFP on Wednesday showed that tens of thousands of women in more than 65 countries, mainly in South America and western Europe, received implants produced by PIP, which ceased trading last year.

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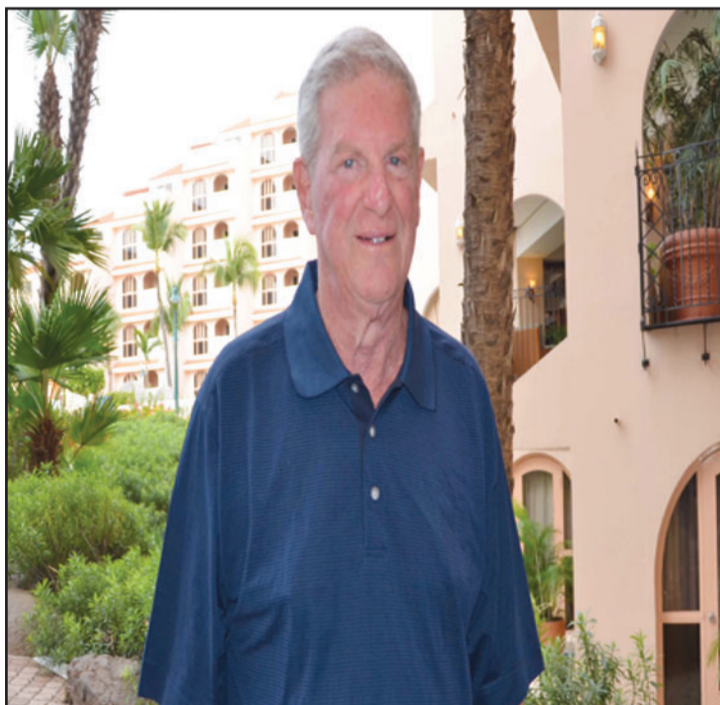


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- A wide range of topics, from health fields including dentistry, podiatry, and ophthalmology, will be explored in an upcoming seminar that will be held in the Members Lounge of the Playa Linda Beach Resort, December 26 - 29, 2011. The 39th Aruba Health Seminar, sponsored by the Monmouth-Ocean County Dental Society, features lectures by doctors and dentists from Aruba and abroad, and welcomes the attendance of interested health professionals.

The annual Health Seminar uses a multi-disciplinary approach in promoting ongoing professional education. The seminar, first launched by visiting medical professionals from the states, remains an annual event, with main organiz-

ers including Robert J. Isaacson, D.D.S. and Herbert F. Hein, M.D., from New Jersey, and Dr. Rick Samuels, from Aruba.

A long list of distinguished dental and medical professionals are scheduled to participate in the seminar with discussions to revolve around a number of featured lectures. The first day of the seminar, Monday, December 26, will begin with an introduction by Dr. Robert J. Isaacson, and an "Aruba update" provided by Dr. Rick Samuels. Aruba's Oswald R. Wever, M.D., Ph.D., will offer a view of "Aruba's Genetic Structure in 2011 Analyzed with Mitochondrial DNA, Sickeldex and Blood-Group Distributions: Correlations with Disease

Prevalences in Cross-Ethnic Medicine." Lectures will also be presented through audio-visual presentations with "Medical Emergencies in the Dental Office" by Stanley Malamed, and "Implant Placement with Simultaneous GBR" by Daniel Buser.

Seminar highlights also include lectures by Stanley L. Pollock, D.M.D., MS, PhD, JD, on "The Employees and

the Health Profession" on Tuesday, December 27; Scott E. Metzger, M.D., presenting "The Physician" and David B. Ettinger, M.D., D.M.D, speaking on "Dentoalveolar Injuries, Maxillofacial Trauma and Common Oral Lesions: Evaluation and Treatment" on Wednesday, December 28; and Steven Deitch, D.P.M, F.A.C.F.A.S, with "The Aging of the Lower Extremities" and Herbert F. Hein, M.D. present-

ing "The External Eye" on the final day of the seminar, Thursday, December 29.

Full program details are available at registration, which will take place each morning at 9 a.m., December 26 - 29, in the Members Lounge of the Playa Linda Beach Resort. Professionals from dentistry, medicine and health-related fields are invited to attend the lectures and contribute to the subsequent discussions.



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## Grammys to honor late Steve Jobs for contribution to music



stars the Memphis Horns, Ross and rap trailblazer Gil Scott-Heron, at the 54th edition of the awards fete.

Jobim, who died in 1994 at 67, is considered one of Brazil's most influential musicians, helping earn world renown for the bossa nova.

Diva Diana Ross, 67, won an Academy Award nomination for her turn as Billie Holiday in "Lady Sings the Blues" (1972), and will be honored for her musical career that has spanned decades. Though she has been nominated for Grammys on many occasions, the Lifetime Achievement honor will be her first Grammy.

"This year's honorees offer a variety of brilliance, contributions and lasting impressions on our culture," said Neil Portnow, president and CEO of The Recording Academy. "It is an honor to recognize such a diverse group of individuals whose talents and achievements have had an indelible impact on our industry."

Vinicius de Moraes and Tom Jobim wrote the legendary "Garota de Ipanema" (Girl from Ipanema) in 1962, and it became a sort of anthem of Brazilian culture, with covers done by everyone from Frank Sinatra to Nat King Cole and Madonna.

(AFP) - The Grammys will pay special tribute to late Apple founder Steve Jobs, Brazil's Tom Jobim -- of "Girl from Ipanema" fame -- and US singer Diana Ross at the upcoming awards show, the organization announced late Wednesday.

The Apple co-founder and mind behind the wildly popular iPod, iPad and iPhone died in October after battling pancreatic cancer.

Jobs, a Trustees Award honoree, will be remembered as having helped "create products and technology that transformed the way we consume music, TV, movies, and books," a statement from the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences said.

Lifetime Achievement Awards will be given to the Allman Brothers Band, country crooner Glen Campbell, Antonio Carlos Jobim, country star George Jones, soul

## Sci-Tech

# Toasted planets give hint of solar system's future

(AFP) - The remains of two planets closely orbiting a dying star some 3,900 light years away have given astronomers a glimpse of what may happen at the demise of our own solar system about five billion years from now.

Named KOI 55.01 and KOI 55.02, the planets orbit a sun that has passed the "red giant" stage -- a star that has burned up most of its fuel and becomes larger and larger, according to the study, published in the journal Nature on Wednesday.

The pair are respectively 76 percent and 87 percent the size of the Earth, but were probably many times larger.

They are likely be the remnants of "gas giant" planets that were roasted by the bloating

star's fiery envelope, say the authors.

"KOI 55.01 and KOI 55.02 lie in very close orbits to their host star," said investigator Gilles Fontaine, a professor of astrophysics at the University of Montreal in Canada.

"To be at such a small distance from their giant star, they probably plunged deep into its gas envelope but survived despite the extreme temperature."

The study was published just a day after astronomers reported spotting the first Earth-sized planets in the 16-year-old quest to locate worlds behind the solar system.

At the end of its life, our star could expand as far as Mars, according to some calculations.

"When our sun swells up to

become a red giant it will engulf the Earth," said Elizabeth Green of the University of Arizona's Steward Observatory.

"If a tiny planet like the Earth spends a billion years in an environment like that, it will just evaporate. Only planets with masses very much larger than the Earth, like Jupiter or Saturn, could possibly survive."

The new finds were made by the US orbital telescope Kepler, a 600-million-dollar mission which monitors more than 150,000 stars for tiny wobbles in light.

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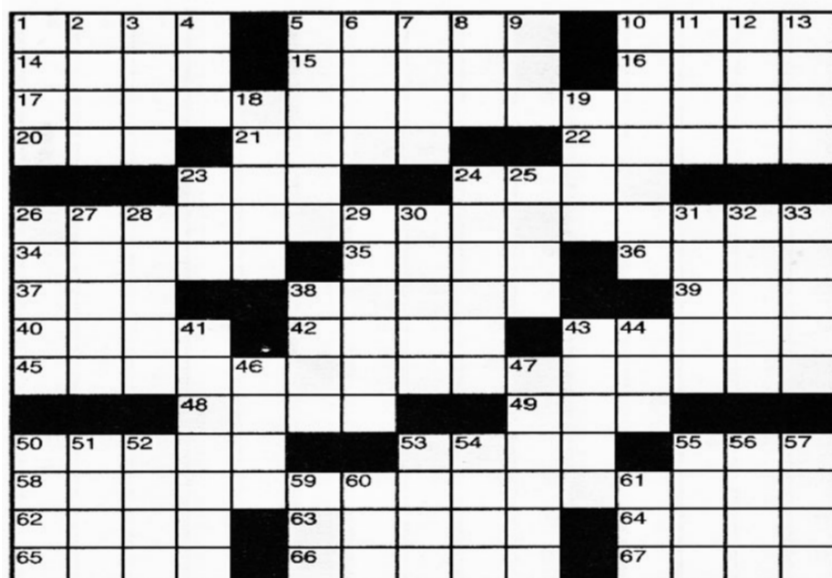
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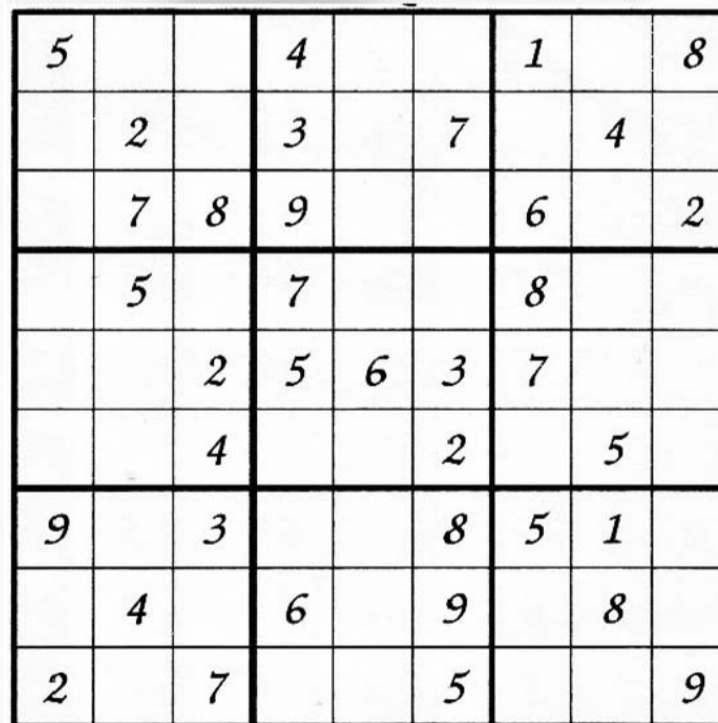
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1	7	8	4	6	9	5	3	2
2	9	1	5	6	8	7	4	3
5	4	6	8	1	9	7	2	3
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## Finance

### Minister: Canada now supports G20 eurozone bailout

OTTAWA (AFP) - Canada's finance minister reversed course yesterday, saying Ottawa would support an EU request for G20 nations to pump billions of dollars into the IMF to deal with the eurozone debt crisis.

"If at the end of the day all the other G20 countries were going to provide more resources to the IMF and let the IMF deal with part of the situation in Europe, then I think there would be support for that overall because of the fear, quite frankly, around the world of a global economic crisis," Finance Minister Jim Flaherty told public broadcaster CBC.

The comments are in contrast to his position taken earlier this week when he blasted Germany for demanding outside help to deal with Europe's debt crisis.

"Germany is a relatively wealthy country, so is France, so are most of the European countries, and they need to look to themselves first to resolve their fiscal crisis," Flaherty had said Monday.

The 17 countries that share the euro currency pledged 150 billion euros (\$195 billion) in bilateral loans Monday for the International Monetary Fund.

But the amount was 50 bil-

lion euros less than what was said to be needed to help stabilize the debt-laden euro area, after Britain, also a member of the EU but not of the eurozone, refused to stump up its roughly 30-billion share.

Meanwhile, the head of the German central bank last week said that its payout would be conditional on the United States and other major Group of 20 contributors taking a "fair" burden share.

Russia suggested last week that it could contribute up to \$20 billion in loans and investments via the IMF. China, India and Brazil have yet to go that far.

### US sets terms for Deutsche Boerse-NYSE merger

WASHINGTON (AFP) - The US Justice Department said yesterday that Deutsche Boerse must sell its stake in smaller exchange operator to gain approval for its merger with the New York Stock Exchange.

The department said Deutsche Boerse has to divest the 31.5 percent stake that a subsidiary holds in Direct Edge Holdings, the fourth largest exchange operator in the United States.

Doing so would help maintain competition in the sector and earn US approval of the mega-merger, it said.

The Justice department proposed that Deutsche Boerse dispose of the Direct Edge interest within two years.



The divestiture would "resolve the department's concerns about the merger's effects on the markets for US equities exchange products and services," the department said in a statement.

"The remedy ensures that participants... will continue to receive the full benefits of robust competition in the form of

competitive prices and increased innovation," said acting assistant US attorney general Sharis Pozen.

Both Deutsche Boerse and NYSE Euronext, the operator of the New York exchange, would also have to commit to staying out of Direct Edge operations before the shareholding is divested.

"We are very pleased to have received the approval of the DOJ, an important milestone on our path to completing our compelling trans-Atlantic combination," said Duncan Niederauer, NYSE Euronext's chief executive.

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### US posts \$10 mn reward for Al-Qaeda financier

WASHINGTON (AFP) - The United States yesterday offered a \$10 million reward for information leading to the arrest of a key Al-Qaeda fundraiser, who is said to be a Syrian operating from Iran.

The reward for Ezedin Abdel Aziz Khalil marks the first time that a "terrorist financier" has been targeted in such a way, said Robert Hartung, assistant director for threat investigations with the State Department.

According to US officials, the man also known as Yacine al-Suri was born in Syria in 1982.

He was put on a US Treasury Department blacklist in

July when he was described as a high-level Al-Qaeda figure operating out of Iran.

His role, according to US officials, was to transfer funds and to recruit militants from the Middle East who transited via Iran to Al-Qaeda in Pakistan.

The \$10 million was posted as part of the program "Rewards for Justice," set up in the 1980s, with the aim of hunting down suspects wanted for terror acts against the United States.

The current head of Al-Qaeda, Ayman al-Zawahiri, has the highest bounty on his head of \$25 million.

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The concept has already proven to be a success on Curaçao two years ago, where "Wings over Curaçao" was the best-selling Christmas gift on the island.

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## Aruba Adventures Sunday Christmas brunch at Hyatt – Ruinas del Mar



The Aruba Adventures team recently held their annual Christmas party. All of the employees were invited to enjoy a holiday brunch at the Hyatt – Ruinas del Mar Restaurant.

For some of us 9 o'clock in the morning on a Sunday was a little early, but once everyone had arrived at the Hyatt lobby, the celebration began. We were amazed by wide variety of cuisines. The ambiance at Ruinas del Mar is gorgeous, with a view at a waterfall and a giant koi pond with black swans.

Before indulging ourselves from the incredible buffet that was filled with everything you could imagine, the owners of Aruba Adventures, Marcus and Cindy wished all the employees and their families a happy holiday season and they thanked everyone for their

hard work and loyalty during 2011. Then of course we had a toast with our bottomless glasses of mimosas.

We all had a wonderful time and the food was delicious. It was a nice way to spend some time with each other outside the workplace. It was the perfect way for the new employees to get to know everyone a little better and to revive old memories from those who have been working for Aruba Adventures for a long time.

The Aruba Adventures team wants to wish everyone in Aruba a warm holiday season and we are happy to host you on one of our tours, the fun and unique Kukoo Kukuku Paranda bus that offers night time dinner & dancing tours or the Classic Mi Dushi sailing and snorkeling boat.

## Gold Coast Aruba: Great savings for large families on holiday rentals



Aruba's newest and most innovative gated community has enjoyed steady sales since breaking ground, as many are finding the secure surroundings and outstanding amenities are just what they were looking for before considering purchasing property on the island. Some owners are using the villas or town homes as vacation retreats rather than full time and are taking advantage of Gold Coast's rental services to turn their investment into ready income.

"The greater portion of home owners are using their 'home away from home' in Aruba to escape the winter months, or spend holidays with the family on the island," noted Gold Coast developer Fito Croes. To assist in the demand for more complete facilities for groups and families, famed hotelier Ed Malone has been placed in charge of the rental program.

Staying at Gold Coast is a very attractive proposition for those traveling with groups that would require multiple hotel rooms. Two and three bedroom Villas or Town Homes accommodate large numbers and offer extensive amenities along with a final cost resulting in considerable savings. The community is minutes to the best beaches and all the casino action, and offers a quiet and secluded getaway with two swimming pools and specialized services with more on the way, such as a fitness room, tennis courts and mini-mall. Ed can arrange maid service, babysitters, caterers,

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Gold Coast accommodations are elegant and spacious, offering privacy for

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Check-in for your holiday escape is conducted in the comfort of your vacation home, not while waiting on line at check-in desk. In every way, Gold Coast seeks to pamper their guests while providing them with the feeling of being in a cozy community, not the normally bustling resort, particularly experienced during the major holidays. If you wish an optimal vacation experience with great savings, visit their website: [www.goldcoastaruba.com](http://www.goldcoastaruba.com) to get acquainted with the community and the layout, details and availability of accommodations, or call 586-2200 to talk personally to a Gold Coast representative.



## Adorable and affordable; 5 Burgers Aruba offers an island twist to the great American Burger

Expatriates residing on Aruba, Aaron and Rosie Walisever are living their dream: a home on paradise while welcoming all and sundry to their proud undertaking, 5 Burgers Aruba. Some may be quite well acquainted with a nationally known U.S. franchise bearing the name "5", and patrons can expect the same great quality between the buns, but an expanded menu and Rosie and Aaron's fanatical dedication to giving their customers what



**Rosie and Aaron love their burger too**



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they really want has resulted in a unique menu.

"You never get a second chance to make a first impression," comments Aaron; and upon entering 5 Burgers Aruba in The Village Mall in Palm Beach, one is struck by utterly spotless surroundings and a smiling, friendly, attentive service crew. Of course, the main item on the menu is burgers-the way they were meant to be, thick and juicy, made fresh daily and 100% pure beef, the kind that made the hamburger a traditional American treat.

Prices vary only slightly between regular and small (basically 2 patties or 1) with specialty items such as Gouda Burger, Farmer's Burger, Man Burger (almost 12 ounces of choice beef), and a Western Burger with crispy onion rings and BBQ sauce. All of these can be personalized with an incredible array of toppings, (mushrooms, jalapeño peppers, bacon, cheese, lettuce, tomato...whatever the list goes on) at absolutely no extra cost.

5 Burger portions are ENORMOUS! Aaron suggests that even their small serving of fries, which are

made from hand-cut fresh Idaho potatoes, is enough to be shared by two. He was very amused to watch a famous French chef demonstrating the best way to make fried potatoes on a gourmet cooking show and could only comment "He stole my recipe!" Try them the English way-with vinegar, and you'll wonder how you ever ate fries without it. This same 5-star chef also swears by Gouda as the best topping for the ideal gourmet cheeseburger.

If you are a fan of crispy friend onion rings, as we are at THE MORNING NEWS, you cannot leave there without trying their secret recipe batter-dipped gourmet rings, made from fresh, not frozen onions. Unquestionably, the best we have had anywhere, and for those that like a little spice, the fried jalapeños are a real treat. Aaron and Rosie have expanded their menu to accommodate certain tastes and dietary needs; they offer a tasty grilled chicken sandwich as well.

5 Burgers Aruba is open for lunch & dinner - daily hours are Noon to 10-ish; delivery is available to both the high-rise and low-rise hotel and beach district for orders over \$50. Enjoy a great lunch without ever leaving the beach by calling 586-3904. However, we suggest you stop by and enjoy their authentic, heartfelt hospitality; it is not unusual for either owner or Manager Marc Anthony when things are not too busy, to sit and chat while sharing their knowledge of the island. Totally yummy and fun plus a great deal for a quality burger, they are definitely worth a visit

## SPORTS

### Football: Villarreal fire coach following Cup exit

MADRID (AFP) - Juan Carlos Garrido was on Thursday sacked as coach of Spanish league strugglers Villarreal following their elimination from the Kings Cup at the hands of second division Mirandes.

Garrido said he has accepted the decision and was expecting the axe to fall as Villarreal endure one of their most dismal seasons in recent years.

He has been replaced by Villarreal's reserves coach Jose Molina, the club announced later.

Villarreal are languishing in 17th spot in Spain's La Liga and exited the Champions League after finishing bottom of Group A with no points.

"It has been a very difficult season but it is clear that we failed," Garrido said in comments posted Thursday on the

club's website.

"I assume my responsibility as head of the group. It is not a surprise that things ended like this, you could see it coming by the way things were going.

"I accept my dismissal because the coach has the main responsibility. It has been a difficult year from the start and we have paid for it throughout the season, with setbacks like injuries and the rest."

Garrido lamented the team's ejection from the King's Cup, the national Cup competition, following a 0-2 defeat at home.

"I accept my dismissal because the team was disastrous and shameful and the way we fell to defeat by Mirandes was disgraceful."

Villarreal, a low-budget club based north of Valencia, famously punched above their weight to reach the Champions

League semi-finals in 2006 when they were eliminated by Arsenal.

The following year the team known as the 'Yellow Submarine' due to their distinctive yellow home kit finished runner-up in the Liga to Real Madrid.

After coaching Villarreal's reserve side for the best part of eight years Garrido was appointed first team coach in February 2010 following the sacking of Ernesto Valverde.

In his first full season he led Villarreal to fourth place in the league and a Champions League qualification spot, but a disastrous campaign in both Europe and at home this season left Garrido's position virtually untenable.

He added: "I leave hoping to be strengthened by this experience and to be a better coach in the future."

### Football: Hiddink eyes return to Russia with Anzh

MOSCOW (AFP) - Dutch coaching legend Guus Hiddink is set to make his return to Russia as either the technical director or consultant of the league's big spenders Anzhi Makhachkala, a newspaper reported Thursday.

Hiddink is revered in Russia as the manager who led the national squad to their best performance in decades when they took their attacking football to the semi-finals of the Euro 2008 championship.

He most recently coached Turkey and was dismissed from his post in November after they fell to Croatia in the Euro 2012 qualifying play-offs.

Hiddink's agent Kees van Nieuwenhuizen said on Wednesday that the Dutchman was considering six different coaching offers and would not announce his decision until next month.

But Moscow's respected Sovetsky Sport daily said Hiddink's options were in fact

more limited and that he would be returning to the Dutch Eredivisie if he failed to agree to terms with Anzhi.

"The number (of offers) mentioned by Nieuwenhuizen are not true," the paper wrote quoting unnamed sources.

The report said that Anzhi would announce Russia's second squad coach Yuri Krasnozhan as its new manager later on Thursday. Hiddink had also been linked with the post.

"It is possible that Hiddink will be consultant or technical

director," it said.

Anzhi had little success in Russian football until being acquired by the Suleyman Kerimov this year and going on a spending spree that landed them Cameroonian striker Samuel Eto'o and Brazilian veteran Roberto Carlos.

The team qualified for the second stage of the Russian Premier League and currently sit in seventh place and five points off a European league qualifying spot.

### Football: Ajax match called off as fan attacks AZ 'keeper

THE HAGUE (AFP) - A Dutch Cup tie between Amsterdam giants Ajax and AZ Alkmaar was dramatically halted mid-match Wednesday after a fan ran on to the pitch and tried to assault AZ's goalkeeper Esteban Alvarado.

The incident, which looks set to cause a headache for

the Dutch football federation (KNVB), led to the Costa Rican 'keeper being red-carded by the referee after he twice kicked at the fan, who was then escorted off the pitch by police.

The expulsion infuriated AZ coach Gertjan Verbeek, who led his players off the pitch complaining about the lack of security at the ground. The match was subsequently called off.

Ajax had been leading 1-0 thanks to a goal from full back Gregory van der Wiel when the match was called off in the 37th minute.

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## Bulls sign MVP Rose to contract extension

CHICAGO (AFP) - Reigning league MVP Derrick Rose has

signed a five-year, multi-million dollar contract extension with the Chicago Bulls.

The 23-year-old Rose averaged 25.0 points and 7.7 assists last season, his third in the NBA since the Bulls drafted him with the number-one overall pick three years ago. Details of the contract were not released.

"We are thrilled that we have signed Derrick to an extension. On top of being a great player, what has set Derrick apart is his make-up, character, drive and his leadership," Bulls general manager Gar Formans said.

"That being said, we believe his greatest asset is his loyalty to his teammates, to our organization and to the city of Chicago. We look forward to having Derrick in a Bulls uniform for years to come, as he helps lead us in our quest to become a championship team."

Last season, Rose led Chicago to their first appearance in the league semi-finals in 13 years, where they lost to the Miami Heat in five games.

In 240 career National Basketball Association games, Rose has averaged 20.9 points, 6.7 assists and 3.9 rebounds.

## Top China football referee admits taking bribes: Xinhua

BEIJING (AFP) - A top Chinese referee confessed in court to taking bribes for fixing local matches, state media said, amid a series of high-profile corruption hearings involving top football officials.

Lu Jun, who has refereed matches at the World Cup and Olympic Games, told a court in northeastern China that he pocketed 810,000 yuan (\$127,786) for fixing seven domestic league games, the official Xinhua news agency said.

The games included four first-division matches in 2003.

The report did not say if Lu, nicknamed the "Golden Whistle" by Chinese media because of his successful international career, had been accused of fixing World Cup or Olympic Games matches.

Shanghai Shenhua club --

which recently signed a two-year contract with Chelsea star Nicolas Anelka -- was also accused of spending 5.5 million yuan to bribe numerous officials and referees, including Lu, the report said.

Corruption hearings against some of China's top football officials kicked off this week with Zhang Jianqiang, the former head referee of the Super League, making a court appearance to face charges of accepting match-fixing bribes totalling \$409,600.

The latest admission comes after well-known referee Huang Junjie confessed on Tuesday to taking more than \$246,000 in bribes for fixing local and international matches between 2005 and 2009, according to Xinhua.

Chinese state media called for harsh punishments to be

meted out to those officials found guilty of corruption, which they described as a "cancer" in the sport.

The hearings are part of a crackdown on corruption that have reached the top echelons of the game in China.

It led to the downfall of the head of the Chinese Football Association (CFA), Nan Yong, who was charged last year with fixing matches and accepting bribes.

According to state media, CFA officials routinely fixed matches, including national team and league games, by allegedly buying off the teams or referees involved.

Association officials also reportedly accepted pay-offs from players who wanted to be selected in the national team - a practice also widespread among league clubs.

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## Baseball: Rangers win bidding to negotiate with Darvish



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NEW YORK (AFP) - Two-time defending American League champions Texas entered the winning bid to negotiate with Japanese star pitcher Yu Darvish, Major League Baseball officials announced.

The Rangers now have 30 days to sign Darvish, a 25-year-old right-hander, to a major league contract after the Nippon Ham Fighters of Japan's Pacific League accepted the American team's

negotiating offer.

Darvish, who joined the Fighters in 2005 after high school, was born to an Iranian father and a Japanese mother. He was this season's highest-paid player in Japanese baseball at an estimated 500 million yen (\$6.4 million) a season.

Texas, which lost to San Francisco in last year's World Series and St. Louis in this year's edition of the best-of-seven final, beat out the New

York Yankees and Toronto Blue Jays for the rights just to make a deal with Darvish.

The offer was reportedly worth more than the \$51 million posting fee that the Boston Red Sox paid in 2006 for the rights to negotiate with Daisuke Matsuzaka, who would sign a six-year deal worth \$52 million with Boston.

"The Texas Rangers are pleased and excited to have acquired the rights to negotiate with Yu Darvish," the Rangers said in a statement. "Our organization has scouted Mr. Darvish for the last several years and has been very impressed with his abilities and accomplishments."

"We believe he'd be a great addition to the Texas Rangers pitching staff. We look forward to beginning the next step of this process in the very near future with Mr. Darvish and his representatives, Arn Tellem and Don Nomura."

Darvish is likely to sign a bigger deal than the one given to Matsuzaka five years ago.

"We were pleased to learn that the Texas Rangers were the high-bidders for Yu Darvish," Tellem said in a statement. "The Rangers are an extraordinary franchise in an exceptional city with equally exceptional fans."

"Yu is honored to be prized so highly and recognized as a once-in-a-generation pitcher. We look forward to getting negotiations under way."

Darvish went 18-6 last season for the Hokkaido-

based Fighters with a 1.44 earned-run average and 276 strikeouts in 232 innings. At 6-foot-5 (196cm) and 216 pounds (98kg), his size and skill figures to be baffling for US batters.-

Darvish, who pitched for Japan in the 2008 Beijing Olympics and 2009 World Baseball Classic, has kept an earned-run average under 2.00 for the past five seasons in Japan. He has been the strikeout king three times and twice been named the

Pacific League's Most Valuable Player.

Darvish would be the third Japanese-born pitcher on the Rangers' roster if they reach a deal, joining right-handed relievers Koji Uehara and Yoshi Tateyama.

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